

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE



PRINCIPAL'S **REPORT**



Dr Vittoria Lavorato (front, centre) catches up with members of the Class of 2023 and their teachers at the HSC Results Barbecue.

We applaud the Class of 2023 for their outstanding performance in the Higher School Certificate. Each student has demonstrated commendable academic achievement and resilience in pursuit of their personal objectives.

As a comprehensive school, we take great pride in the 10 students (6% of the cohort) who successfully completed their HSC without aiming for an ATAR. Instead, they have chosen to follow their passion in trades, further industry studies at an RTO, or direct employment. The variety of post-school pathways our students take is a testament to our success.

Around 80% of this cohort received early university offers, both domestically and internationally, marking a record high for St Patrick's College, Strathfield. Despite these early offers, our students remained committed to their studies, striving to reach their full potential. As a result, many surpassed their expectations, opting for courses with higher cut-offs instead of their early offers. The wide range of their aspirations, the diversity of courses they are undertaking, and their future plans for work and travel, underscore that this cohort was never bound by traditional expectations.

St Patrick's College consistently ranks among the top 150 schools in NSW, achieving the 106th position in the 2023 HSC School Ranking, an improvement from 109th in 2022. As a non-selective school in the EREA tradition, we are thrilled that 22% of our 2023 cohort achieved an ATAR above 90, and 57% achieved an ATAR above 80. We also celebrate our Top Achievers in the State: James Bellamy, who ranked 13th in Modern History, and Lachlan Macher, who placed 3rd in Information and Digital Technology.

Our students have showcased a broad spectrum of skills and talents, with exceptional results across numerous subjects. We are particularly pleased with the improved results in several subjects, including English Extension 1, English Advanced,

English Standard, Modern History, Legal Studies, Business Studies, Economics, Italian Continuers, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Standard 2, PDHPE, Music 1, Biology, Studies of Religion I, Industrial Technology, Information Processes and Technology, and Visual Arts. This year, UAC granted Principals access to students' ATAR results, and we were delighted to see our median ATAR rise to 83, meaning 50% of students achieved an ATAR of 83 or higher.

We extend special recognition to our Dux for 2023, James Bellamy, and our Proxime Accessit, Angus Reen, as well as our three All-Round Achievers: James Bellamy, Angus Reen and Matthew Younan. In total, we had 151 mentions in the Distinguished Achievers' List (Band 6 or E4), marking an improvement from the previous year.

These achievements are a testament to the unwavering dedication of our talented teachers, who are a credit to St Patrick's College. We also express our gratitude to the parents and guardians of the Class of 2023 for their partnership in their sons' education and their enduring support of the College.

We extend our best wishes to this remarkable and driven cohort and look forward to following their future endeavours. We present this publication as a record of our impressive HSC results for 2023.

"Quality is not an act, it is a habit." – Aristotle

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Dr Vittoria Lavorato

Cover Photo (from back to front): All done! Joshua Lo Surdo, James Stewart, Matthew Svoboda, Vittorio Marando, Shivaal Maharaj, James Hassarati, Dominic Taffa & Tyler Embrey following their last HSC Examination.

ROM THE DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM



Students go through the Physics paper with Mrs Chander (Head of Science) & Mr Cutrupi (Director of Curriculum) following their HSC Examination.

Congratulations to our high achievers of the graduating Class of 2023 on their excellent Higher School Certificate results.

One hundred and sixty-five Year 12 students sat the HSC examinations in thirty-four courses, plus twenty-two Year 11 students accelerated in HSC Mathematics Advanced 2 unit. Two Year 11 students who accelerated in Italian sat HSC Italian Continuers, one of whom also sat HSC Mathematics Advanced. Sixty-five students and fourteen Year 11 accelerated students made the 2023 HSC Distinguished Achievers List (or Merit List) one hundred and fifty-one times, having attained marks of 90% or more in various courses.

As far as we know, thirty-four students from one hundred and fifty-five ATAR eligible candidates (22%), attained an ATAR above 90. Three students were placed on the State's All Rounders List, each having placed on the Distinguished Achievers List for courses totalling 10 or more units and two students were placed on the Top Achievers List for top rankings in the State in one or more courses. The details of these outstanding student performances are detailed in this publication.

In twenty-seven out of thirty-four courses examined, the College examination average was above that of the State examination average. For example, Ancient History with 8.76 marks above the State average; Business Studies, 8.76 above; Economics, 9.82 above; Industrial Technology, 11.80 above; Information Processes and Technology, 12.41 above; Legal Studies, 5.71 above; Mathematics Advanced, 7.13 above; Mathematics Extension 2, 7.07 above; Mathematics Standard 2, 6.38 above; Modern History, 6.77 above; Music 2, 11.52 above; and Visual Arts with 6.70 marks above the State average.

Many courses had a percentage representation of students with a mark of 90% or above, i.e., Band 6 or E4, greater than that of the State. For example, Business Studies 20.00% of College candidates attained a Band 6 compared to 11.28% for the State;

Economics 43.75% compared to 13.04%; Industrial Technology 33.33% compared to 7.56%; Information Processes & Technology 20.00% compared to 6.72%; Italian Continuers 33.33% compared to 26.34%; Mathematics Advanced 37.87% compared to 22.31%; Modern History 18.42% compared to 10.20%; PDHPE 14.58% compared to 6.37%; and Visual Arts 44.44% of College candidates attained a Band 6 compared to 18.46% for the State.

Similarly, there were twenty-eight courses (80%) where the percentage representation of students in the two highest performance bands representing a percentage mark equal or above 80%, i.e., Bands 5/E3 and 6/E4, were greater than that of the State. For example, in courses with a candidature greater or equal to 15, Biology had 36.66% of College candidates who performed in the two top bands compared to 31.82% for the State; Business Studies 74.66% compared to 35.75%; Construction 59.99% compared to 32.42%; Economics 81.25% compared to 48.34%; English Standard 30.00% compared to 13.12%; English Advanced 86.73% compared to 67.12%; Industrial Technology 62.95% compared to 23.57%; Mathematics Standard 2 55.68% compared to 31.42%; Mathematics Advanced 75.74% compared to 49.72%; Modern History 52.63% compared to 34.86%; PD/ Health/PE 43.74% compared to 30.70%; Studies of Religion II 70.58% compared to 45.98%; and Visual Arts had 100% of College candidates who performed in the two top bands compared to 65.44% for the State.

Overall, the 2023 HSC results are excellent. St Patrick's College is a school where ordinary boys achieve extraordinary things. This publication represents an ongoing testament to the consistently strong academic performance achieved by our senior students each and every year in the Higher School Certificate and I commend its reading to you..

Michael Cutrupi

STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN **ATAR OF 95 AND ABOVE**

COLLEGE DUX

ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS' LIST / TOP ACHIEVERS' LIST



JAMES BELLAMY

ATAR 99.25 2023 College Vice Captain Cricket First XI The Class of 1970 Award for Consistent Academic Achievement Award Recipient

Distinguished Achievement in:

Economics English Advanced English Extension 1 Modern History (Thirteenth in the State) Personal Development, Health and Physical Education Studies of Religion I

PROXIME ACCESSIT

ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS' LIST



ANGUS REEN ATAR 98.65 2023 Rice Prefect

Distinguished Achievement in: Chemistry English Advanced English Extension 1 Industrial Technology Mathematics Advanced **Physics** Studies of Religion I



ROB CADISAL ATAR 97.7 Distinguished Achievement in: Business Studies Mathematics Extension 1 Mathematics Extension 2 **Physics**

Commendable Achievement in: Studies of Religion I



CHRISTIAN BITAR ATAR 97.25 Distinguished Achievement in: **Business Studies Economics** Mathematics Advanced (2022) Mathematics Extension 1 Studies of Religion I

Commendable Achievement in: **English Advanced**

ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS' LIST



MATTHEW YOUNAN

ATAR 97.10 2023 Student Wellbeing Prefect The St Gabriel's School Award for Social Justice Recipient

Distinguished Achievement in: Chemistry English Advanced Mathematics Advanced (2022) Mathematics Extension 1 Studies of Religion I Italian Continuers



LUKE MOUAWAD ATAR 97.05

Distinguished Achievement in: Physics

Commendable Achievement in: English Advanced Mathematics Extension 1 Mathematics Extension 2 Studies of Religion I

STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN ATAR OF 95 AND ABOVE



LUKE TERS
ATAR 96.95

Distinguished Achievement in:
English Advanced
English Extension 1
Mathematics Extension 1
Mathematics Advanced
Physics
Studies of Religion I



ANTHONY ALAFACI
ATAR 96.05

Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Mathematics Standard 2
Studies of Religion II
Visual Arts

Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced



ALESSANDRO ROMEO
ATAR 96.05
2023 College Captain
2023 Football Captain
Football First XI
The Best and Fairest Player – Open
Division Football Award Recipient
Distinguished Achievement in:
English Advanced
English Extension 1
Italian Continuers
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Commendable Achievement in:
Mathematics Extension 1
Physics



VITTORIO MARANDO
ATAR 95.90
2023 Year 6 Prefect
Distinguished Achievement in:
Mathematics Extension 1
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Studies of Religion II
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced
Physics



JUSTIN SPERANZA
ATAR 95.80
Distinguished Achievement in:
Biology
Modern History
Studies of Religion I
Italian Continuers
Italian Extension
Commendable Achievement in:
History Extension

Studies of Religion II



ANTONIO LAGGIS
ATAR 95.75
2023 Year 8 Prefect
The Oriel McLucas Prize for Leadership in and Involvement Award Recipient
Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Legal Studies
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
Studies of Religion II
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced

STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN ATAR OF 95 AND ABOVE



WILLIAM SYMONS
ATAR 95.65

Distinguished Achievement in:
Modern History
Studies of Religion II
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Visual Arts

Commendable Achievement in:
English Extension 1



LUKE GOLDSMITH
ATAR 95.50

Distinguished Achievement in:
Biology
Economics
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Studies of Religion I



High achievers: James Bellamy (College Dux), Angus Reen (Proxime Accessit) & Rob Cadisal (third place-getter) at the HSC barbecue.

STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN ATAR OF 90 AND ABOVE



CHRISTOPHER REZZI
ATAR 94.95

Distinguished Achievement in:
Information Processes and Technology
Mathematics Advanced (2022)

Commendable Achievement in:
Biology
English Advanced
Studies of Religion I



ATAR 94.80
The Oriel McLucas Prize for Leadership in and Involvement Award Recipient

Distinguished Achievement in:
Drama
Modern History
Studies of Religion I
Visual Arts

Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced

HARRY ROBINSON

History Extension



LUKE SALONGA
ATAR 94.65
Distinguished Achievement in:
English Advanced
English Extension 1
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Commendable Achievement in:
Studies of Religion II



BAILEY YEATES
ATAR 94.40
The Oriel McLucas Prize for Leadership in and Involvement Award Recipient 2023 Baseball Captain
Distinguished Achievement in:
English Advanced
Music 2
Music Extension
Studies of Religion I
Commendable Achievement in:
Modern History



ATAR 94.20
Football First XI

Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Economics

Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced
Studies of Religion II

OLIVER WAHBE



DANIEL CARISTO
ATAR 94.15
Distinguished Achievement in:
Economics
Personal Development, Health
and Physical Education
Studies of Religion II
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced

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STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN ATAR OF 90 AND ABOVE



ATAR 94.00
2023 Social Justice Prefect
The Archbishop of Sydney Award for
Student Excellence Recipient
Distinguished Achievement in:
Industrial Technology
Studies of Religion I
Italian Continuers
Italian Extension
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced

KARIM LATTOUF

Mathematics Advanced



MATTHEW GEBRAEL
ATAR 93.70
Distinguished Achievement in:
Mathematics Extension 1
Commendable Achievement in:
Mathematics Extension 2
Physics



MATTHEW MAVRELIS
ATAR 93.40
Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Studies of Religion I



JOSHUA SARKIS
ATAR 93.40
Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Economics
Commendable Achievement in:
Mathematics Advanced



PATRICK O'CONNOR
ATAR 93.30
2023 Coghlan Prefect
Rugby First XV
Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Personal Development, Health
and Physical Education
Construction Examination
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced
Studies of Religion II



CAMPBELL FUNSTON
ATAR 93.25
Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Mathematics Standard 2
Commendable Achievement in:
Economics
Modern History

STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN ATAR OF 90 AND ABOVE



MATTHEW SELIM
ATAR 93.50
Distinguished Achievement in:
Mathematics Advanced
Commendable Achievement in:
Biology



DAMON CHIDIAC
ATAR 92.75
2023 Year 5 Prefect
Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Personal Development, Health
and Physical Education
Studies of Religion II
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced



JUSTIN WONG
ATAR 92.65

Distinguished Achievement in:
Economics
Information Processes and Technology
Modern History

Commendable Achievement in:
History Extension
Studies of Religion I



The Brewer Prize for General Proficiency in Study and Sport Award Recipient Australian Defense Force Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Award Recipient Rugby Frist XV

Distinguished Achievement in:
Mathematics Advanced
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced
Studies of Religion I

2023 Co-Curricular (Sport) Prefect

ALEX PURSER

ATAR 92.55



ATAR 92.50

Distinguished Achievement in:
Business Studies
Mathematics Advanced
Studies of Religion II

Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced
Construction Examination

SABASTIAN SABA



DOMINIC LA GRECA
ATAR 91.20
2023 Spirituality/Faith Formation Prefect
Distinguished Achievement in:
Industrial Technology
Personal Development, Health
and Physical Education
Commendable Achievement in:
Studies of Religion I

STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED AN ATAR OF 90 AND ABOVE



ROCCO SICARI
ATAR 91.15
Baseball First IX
Distinguished Achievement in:
Mathematics Advanced
Commendable Achievement in:
Ancient History
History Extension
Studies of Religion I



MATTHEW SVOBODA
ATAR 91.00
2023 Hickey Prefect
The Lachlan Heyworth Prize for
School Spirit Award Recipient
2023 Debating Captain
Distinguished Achievement in:
Modern History
Studies of Religion II
Commendable Achievement in:
English Advanced
Legal Studies



Some of our students who achieved an ATAR above 90, gather together for a happy snap!

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

We congratulate the following Class of 2023 students, for their nominations in HSC showcases of major works and performances.

ARTEXPRESS NOMINATIONS - Visual Arts

Harry Robinson (selected) Nicholas Migliorino Max van der Meer William Symons (selected)



Harry Robinson - Historically (in) Accurate (selected)



Nicholas Migliorino - Pressed



Max van der Meer - Time



William Symons - John Doe in the Ballad of a Dead Man (selected)

SHAPE NOMINATIONS - Design and Technology, Industrial Technology and Textiles and Design

Simon Barzan Massimo Bilotta Lucas Carling Salvatore Ierardo George Kazzi **Tobias Lacey Anthony Mawad** Samuel Pearson Angus Reen Owen Taylor **Blake Wilson** Jullian Adoncello Karim Lattouf Dominic La Greca



ENCORE NOMINATION - Music 2

Bailey Yeates



Bailey Yeates

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2023 DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVERS' LIST

Seventy-nine students made the 2023 Distinguished Achievers' List 151 times, having attained marks of 90% or more in various courses (students appear in alphabetical order according to surname).

JULIAN ADONCELLO

Industrial Technology

ANTHONY ALAFACI

Business Studies Mathematics Standard 2 Studies of Religion II Visual Arts

DANIEL ALAFACI

Visual Arts

NICHOLAS AOUN (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

DOMENICO BATTAGLIA

Mathematics Advanced

ALEXANDER BECHARA (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS' LIST TOP ACHIEVERS' LIST

JAMES BELLAMY

Economics

English Advanced

English Extension 1

Modern History (13th in the State)

Personal Development, Health

and Physical Education

Studies of Religion I

MASSIMO BILOTTA

Industrial Technology Visual Arts

CHRISTIAN BITAR

Business Studies Economics

Mathematics Advanced (2022) Mathematics Extension 1

Studies of Religion I

JACK BUCHANAN

Industrial Technology

OLIVER BURGESS (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

ROB CADISAL

Business Studies Mathematics Extension 1 Mathematics Extension 2 Physics

DANIEL CARISTO

Economics

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
Studies of Religion II

LUCAS CARLING

Mathematics Standard 2

DAMON CHIDIAC

Business Studies Personal Development, Health and Physical Education Studies of Religion II

ALEXANDER COLREAVY

Mathematics Standard 2

CHRISTIAN COOREY (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

THOMAS COOREY (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

THOMAS CRICK

Mathematics Standard 2

CORMAC DWYER

Modern History

ISAAC EDMONDS (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

ZAK EL-MASRI

Business Studies

CAMPBELL FUNSTON

Business Studies
Mathematics Standard 2

JACOB GALIC

Mathematics Standard 2

MATTHEW GEBRAEL

Mathematics Extension 1

CHRISTOPHER GITTANI (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

LUKE GOLDSMITH

Biology Economics

Mathematics Advanced (2022)

Studies of Religion I

2023 DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVERS' LIST

LUKA GOVORCIN

Industrial Technology

GEORGE ISSA

Mathematics Standard 2

KAI JOHNSON

Mathematics Advanced

JAMES KAZZI (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

SIMON KHOURY (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

NOAH KITE

Business Studies

DOMINIC LA GRECA

Industrial Technology
Personal Development, Health
and Physical Education

TOBIAS LACEY

Industrial Technology

ANTONIO LAGGIS

Business Studies Legal Studies

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

Studies of Religion II

KARIM LATTOUF

Industrial Technology Studies of Religion I Italian Continuers

Italian Extension

MATTHEW LEAN

Mathematics Standard 2

NICHOLAS LIPARI

Music 1

KIERAN LOW (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

TOP ACHIEVERS' LIST

LACHLAN MACHER

Information and Digital Technology (3rd in the State)

SHIVAAL MAHARAJ

English Advanced

ADRIAN MALACCO

Studies of Religion I

VITTORIO MARANDO

Mathematics Extension 1 Mathematics Advanced (2022)

Studies of Religion II

MATTHEW MAVRELIS

Business Studies
Mathematics Advanced (2022)

Studies of Religion I

NICHOLAS MIGLIORINO

Visual Arts

LUKE MOUAWAD

Physics

PATRICK O'CONNOR

Business Studies

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

Construction Examination

FRANCIS PHAN

Mathematics Advanced

ALEX PURSER

Mathematics Advanced Personal Development, Health and Physical Education **ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS' LIST**

ANGUS REEN

Chemistry

English Advanced

English Extension 1

Industrial Technology

Mathematics Advanced

Physics

Studies of Religion I

CHRISTOPHER REZZI

Information Processes and Technology

Mathematics Advanced (2022)

HARRY ROBINSON

Drama

Modern History

Studies of Religion I

Visual Arts

ALESSANDRO ROMEO

English Advanced

English Extension 1

Italian Continuers

Mathematics Advanced (2022)

SEBASTIAN SABA

Business Studies

Mathematics Advanced

Studies of Religion II

LUKE SALONGA

English Advanced

English Extension 1

Mathematics Advanced (2022)

JOSHUA SARKIS

Business Studies

Economics

ALESSIO SECIVANOVIC (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

MATTHEW SELIM

Mathematics Advanced

DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVERS' LIST

2023 DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVERS' LIST

DOMENIC SESAR-PRATELLI

Mathematics Advanced

ROCCO SICARI

Mathematics Advanced

JEREMY SIMONETTO (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced Italian Continuers

NICHOLAS SORBARA

Business Studies

JUSTIN SPERANZA

Biology Modern History Studies of Religion I Italian Continuers Italian Extension

LUKE SULTANA (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

MATTHEW SVOBODA

Modern History Studies of Religion II

WILLIAM SYMONS

Modern History Studies of Religion II Mathematics Advanced (2022) Visual Arts

DOMINIC TAFFA

Visual Arts

ELIJAH TAN (YEAR 11)

Mathematics Advanced

JAMES TASSOPOULOS

Visual Arts

OWEN TAYLOR

Industrial Technology

LUKE TERS

English Advanced
English Extension 1
Mathematics Extension 1
Mathematics Advanced
Physics
Studies of Religion I

NOAH VAN DER MEER

History Extension

ORLANDO VIGOLO

Business Studies

OLIVER WAHBE

Business Studies Economics

JUSTIN WONG

Economics
Information Processes and Technology
Modern History

BAILEY YEATES

English Advanced Music 2 Music Extension Studies of Religion I

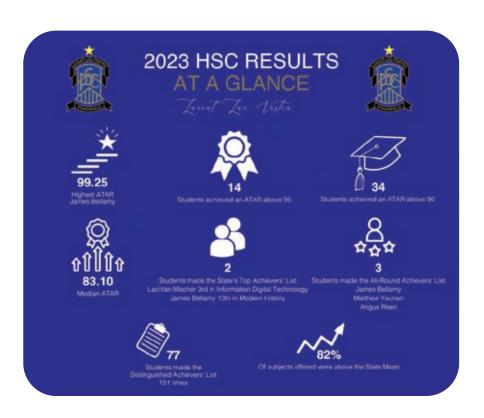
NATHAN YEUNG

Mathematics Advanced

ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS' LIST

MATTHEW YOUNAN

Chemistry
English Advanced
Mathematics Advanced (2022)
Mathematics Extension 1
Studies of Religion I
Italian Continuers



HSC STUDENTS YOU DID IT





